Tuesday, the *1st August 1944* / *17th Karkadagam 1119*

The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at half past Eleven of the Clock with the Hon'ble the President (SIR GEORGE BOAG K. C. I. E., C. S. I.), in the chair.

The Resident for the Madras States also was present.

Messrs. Popatlal Govardhan Lalan, K. R. Ramakrishnan, C. J. Luiz, H. J. Walmesley and Khan Sahib Ismail Hajee Essa Sait were absent.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

OFFICE OF THE MUKUNDAPURAM INSPECTOR OF AGRICULTURE—DEFALCATION IN

151. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) whether there was any defalcation or misappropriation of public money in the Office of the Mukundapuram Inspector of Agriculture in the years of 1118 and 1119;

(*b*) if so, how the case now stands;

(*c*) whether Mr. V. Narayana Menon's transfer to the native place of his wife has anything to do with the alleged misappropriation or defalcation of Sirkar money in his office?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development)* :

(*a*) The matter is under investigation.

(*b*) No answer is necessary in view of answer to question (*a*).

(*c*) No. It was a general transfer of Agricultural Inspectors.

TILLAGE IMPLEMENTS, ETC., SOLD THROUGH CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETIES

152. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to state the quantities of (1) tillage implements (2) manures (3) seeds supplied or sold by the departmental agencies or co-operative societies in the State to the ryots;

(*b*) whether any arrangements have been planned and brought into operation for making and supplying tillage implements?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) Please see appended Statement. *(Appendix I)*

(*b*) Arrangements have been made with the Government of India to allow 600 tons of iron and steel for the use of the ryots in the State. The iron and steel or the implements manufactured will be sold to the ryots by Agricultural Inspectors from the Taluk Depots.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* May I know, how much time will be taken in this process?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* That will depend upon when we will get the supply from British India.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan *(Chalakkudi):* My we have an approximate idea as to when we will be getting?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* I connot give a definite answer.

Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur Rural):* May I know, whether we can have it early next year?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* We expect to have it by the end of this calendar year—1944.

Mr. K. T. Achyuthan *(Ezhuvas-Talappilli):* Cannot arrangements be made with the local iron merchants till we get the quota from the Government of India.

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* It is not available.

JACK AND MANGO TREES CUT DOWN UNDER PERMITS

153. Mr. C. V. Iyyu *(Kunnamkulam):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

the number of jack and mango trees cut down under the permits of the respective Agricultural Inspectors in each Taluk till the transfer of Mr. V. Narayana Menon, Agricultural

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Inspector from Mukundapuram to Talappalli from the date of the coming into force of the prohibition order?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):*

Mukundapuram	..	1203	trees
Talappilli	..	661	,,
Trichur	..	598	,,
Chittur	..	172	,,
Cochin-Kanayannur	..	189	,,
Cranganur	..	99	,,

DAIRY FARM AT TRICHUR—COST OF RUNNING

154. Mr. A. B. Salem *(Mattancheri):* Will Government be pleased to inform in detail the costs of running the Dairy Farm at Trichur up to the 1st of Edavam 1119;

(*b*) the actual amount of collections made by sale of milk and other dairy products up to the 1st of Edavam 1119;

(*c*) the prices at which milk, curds, butter milk, butter, etc., were sold;

(*d*) the total quantity of milk obtained and sold and the amounts realised by sale up to the 1st of Edavam 1119;

(*e*) the number of cows, calves, bulls and heifers on the Farm on the 1st Edavam 1119 whether any animals have been sold; if so, how many and the prices obtained;

(*f*) whether there are any more cows or heifers available for sale to the public; if so, the number of them and the prices placed?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):* Rs. 8,819—8—0.

The details are as follows...

Cost of feeds for 45 cows including dry ones and 2 bulls	Rs. 7,077—10—6
Cost of labour for cleaning, feeding the animals, and for distribution of milk	,, 1,603— 2—0
Miscellaneous articles such as ropes, medicines, bottle discs, etc.	,, 138—11—6
Total	,, 8,819— 8—0

(*b*) Rs. 8,928—12—0 (Sale of milk).

(*c*) The price of milk was Rs. 0—2—8 per pound till 1st Makaram 1119 and 4 as. per pound thereafter. No curds, butter or butter-milk were made as there was no surplus milk.

(*d*) 45,651¾ pounds of milk and Rs. 8,928—12—0.

(*e*)

Cows	..	45
Bulls	..	31
Heifers	..	8
Calves	..	71
Bullocks	..	26
Total		181

Sales—1 Ongole bull	..	Rs. 140—0—0
5 old animals in auction	..	,, 245—0—0
Total		,, 385—0—0

(*f*) No. The sales are suspended for the time being so as to provide animals for the Dairy and breeding bulls for distribution to Panchayats.

MANURES—PRICE, ETC., OF

155. Mr. A. Eachara Menon *(Chittur-Rural):* Will Government be pleased to state.—

(*a*) what manures have the Government stocked for sale with their prices per ton;

(*b*) what is the present sale price of groundnut cake; what was it before;

(*c*) do the Government advance manures and collect the price of the same after harvest;

(*d*) if not, what is the objection for lending on the security of the standing crop?

Mr. T. K. Nayar *(Minister for Rural Development):*

(*a*) Please see Appendix II.

(*b*) Please see Appendix III.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) No answer is necessary in view of the answer given to sub-division (*c*).

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